Government of UP is making efforts to ensure that Greater Noida shall be one of the premier IT destinations in the country at par with Hyderabad and Bangalore.

As per Greater Noida Authority, there is a possibility that this area would emerge as a new IT Centre in the furture, due to acquisition of land by major IT companies in the area.

(c) Government of UP is providing the following facilities:

1. A new proactive IT Policy 2004 has been declared to provide impetus growth of IT industry in the state and specially in Greater Noida/Noida.
2. A high power committee under the chairmanship of Chief Secretary, Government of Uttar Pradesh has been constituted to look after the interests of IT industry in UP including Greater Noida.
3. A basket of fiscal incentives are provided for in the IT policy for Mega industrial units (above Rs. 50 cr.) including concessions in land prices and taxes. For IT units with investments above Rs. 250 cr. special incentives on case to case basis are being provided.

In addition, Greater Noida Authrority is providing the following facilities:

1. The IT units have been granted 100% exemption from the required stamp duty *vide* notification No. K.N. 5-305/11-2005-500 (136)/2003, Lucknow, Dated January 19, 2005 of the Tax & Registration Department of the Government of Uttar Pradesh.
2. At the Authority level, the rates of allotment of plots to IT units have been kept lower than those for industrial plots so as to give these units the opportunity for maximum investment in this area.

Network capabilities of BSNL and MTNL

3234. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the newtwork capabilities of BSNL and MNTL and how many subscribers of various services categories can be serviced by BSNL and MTNL;

(b) whether BSNL and MTNL is considering to offer surplus infrastructure capacities to private operators on payment basis; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) Sir, the telecom networks of BSNL and MTNL are capable of offering many

services, some of Which are given below:

(i) Phone Plus Services like Call Forwarding, Call Waiting wake up call, Dynamic STD etc.

(ii) Internet based services like E-mail, SMS, Web Hosting, Digital Signatures etc.

(iii) PCO services including Mobile PCOs.

(iv) Broadband services.

(v) Cellular Mobile Services.

(vi) CDMA Mobile Services and Fixed Wireless Services.

(vii) VPN services

(viii) Leased Lines Services including managed leased line services.

(ix) ISDN services.

(x) Answering Machine Services.

(xi) Trunk Services.

(xii) Wi Fi Services.

As on 31 -10-2005, numbers of subscribers serviced by BSNL and **MTNL** under different telecom service categories are as follows:—

Sl. No.	Services	BSNL	MTNL
1.	Basic	5,05,64,147	40,26,216
2.	Cellular Mobile	1,33,35,472	13,65,988
3.	Broadband	4,64,909	1,12,062
4.	Internet	30,00,000	11,83,263

(b) and (c) Infrastructure facilities are created by BSNL and MTNL keeping in view their long term use. Therefore, provision of such facilities to private operators is on need and availability basis.

Release of Commemorative stamp

†3235. SHRI R.S. GAVAI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether on the eve of 300th anniversary of Gur-da-gaddi in Nanded, Government are going to release any postal stamp;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.